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1. CONGRESSMAN ZABLOCKI RAISED DIVIDED FAMILIES AND VISA DENIALS WITH AMBASSADOR SPASOWSKI WHEN THE LATTER CALLED ON HIM APRIL 26 FOR A MEETING AND LUNCH AFTERWARDS. AL KUCZYNSKI OF THE CONGRESSMAN'S STAFF, WHO PARTICIPATED, TOLD US THAT, IN DISCUSSING VISA DENIALS, SPASOWSKI VOLUNTEERED THE POINT ABOUT DENIALS TO JEWS BEFORE ZABLOCKI HAD EVEN CITED IT. WITHOUT MAKING SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS, SPASOWSKI SAID THAT, WHILE THERE WILL ALWAYS BE PROBLEM CASES, THE GREATER PROPORTION OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES WILL BE RESOLVED.

2. KUCZYNSKI ADDED THAT THE DISCUSSIONS WERE USEFUL AND THE TWO MEN HIT IT OFF WELL. THEY AGREED TO MEET AGAIN BEFORE SPASOWSKI RETURNS FOR CONSULTATIONS IN LATE MAY OR
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EARLY JUNE.

3. SPASOWSKI'S STYLE. THE NEW AMBASSADOR IS MAKING A VERY GOOD IMPRESSION AROUND TOWN. HE TOLD CONGRESSMAN ROSTENKOWSKI HE HAD BEEN PERSONALLY PICKED BY GIEREK FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT AND MADE NO BONES ABOUT HIS MISSION TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL AGRICULTURAL AND OTHER CREDITS. DESPITE

HIS REPUTATION FOR BEING STIFF AND HUMORLESS, SPASOWSKI IS SHOWING HIMSELF TO BE RELAXED, ENGAGING, AND EVEN WITTY IN HIS DISCUSSIONS HERE. IN HANDLING THE TOUGH ISSUES, SUCH AS FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT AND THE CAC FLAP, HE TENDS TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE, EITHER BY PRE-EMPTING HIS INTERLOCUTOR IN MAKING THE DIFFICULT POINTS HIMSELF OR BY QUICKLY AFFIRMING HIS DESIRE TO SEEK A SOLUTION FAVORABLE TO US. THE CONTRAST WITH PAWLISZEWSKI'S DEFENSIVE STYLE IS STRIKING. WE WONDER HOW LONG THIS WILL LAST, THOUGH, AND WHETHER SPASOWSKI WILL BE ABLE TO DELIVER ON HIS PROMISES.

4. SCHMIDT VISIT. IN REPLY TO WARSAW 3457, CARL WOULD BE VERY PLEASED TO STAY WITH YOU IF IT IS NOT AN INCONVENIENCE. REGARDING PROGRAMS, PLEASE ASK DAVID POZORSKI TO LEAVE AMPLE TIME FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH YOU, THE AMBASSADOR, AND OTHERS IN THE EMBASSY. AMONG OTHER THINGS, HE WOULD LIKE TO GO OVER COORDINATION BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND THE EMBASSY AND FUTURE STAFFING QUESTIONS. AMONG APPOINTMENTS, HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE BRZUSKA AT MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE, IF AVAILABLE. HE WOULD LIKE TO UTILIZE BRIEF SIDE TRIP TO POZNAN MAINLY TO GET A CURRENT FEEL FOR POST OPERATIONS AND ACTIVITIES.

5. CARL WILL BE ARRIVING IN WARSAW ON SATURDAY EVENING, AS INDICATED IN STATE 103546. ABSOLUTELY NO NEED TO MEET.
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HE'LL MAKE HIS WAY TO YOUR HOUSE AND WILL FEND FOR HIMSELF. ON SUNDAY, HE WOULD HOPE TO BE ABLE TO SEE SEPARATELY ZYGMUNT (OF ZYCIE WARSZAWY) AND GILBERT SZYMANSKI, AND/OR JOZEF AND HALINA WIEJACZ. HE WILL SEND NOTES TO BOTH FROM GARMISCH NEXT WEEK. ALSO, IF EMBASSY PERCEIVES NO OBJECTION, HE WOULD LIKE TO CONTACT AMBASSADOR TRAMPCZYNSKI, PROFESSOR SOLDACZUK, AND WITOLD TRZECIAKOWSKI DURING HIS VISIT. VANCE

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